



### **Committee Meeting - 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

Present: Lucy Potter (Chair), Maria Lewis (Vice Chair), Alex Perrett (Treasurer), Lisa Silk-Hale (Secretary), Anil Saksena (Secretary), Mr Dillon (Head Teacher), Samantha Cooper, Davina Woosnam, Lyndsey Wansell, Analie Panlilio, Caroline Rashbrook, Hannah Samson,

Apologies: Shelley Taylor (Treasurer)

#### **Nominations for Friends Team 2021**

Stepping Down – Shelley Taylor (Treasurer) and Anil Saksena (Secretary). Thank you both for your hard work over the past 2 years.

Stepping Up –

- Lucy Potter (Chair and Treasurer)
- Maria Lewis (Vice Chair)
- Alex Perrett (Treasurer)
- Lisa Silk-Hale (Secretary)
- Caroline Rashbrook (Secretary)

Caroline is a new volunteer and we would like to welcome her to the team!

#### **Current Project**

We are raising money for a new climbing frame for key stage 1. We have just over half of the funds but still approximately £8,000 to raise.

#### **Upcoming Activities**

The Christmas Fayre will be our main project in 2021, date 4<sup>th</sup> December. A save the date post will go out shortly and the team will reach out to various store holders. We would like as many parents with things to see to be involved as possible. Team to meet up separate to this meeting to discuss various ideas.

Team to ask for donations of Halloween costumes to sell to parents. Post to go out asking for these from 17<sup>th</sup> September.

Christmas cards are always very popular and we will do this again and use the same company however last year they did not take the 1cm border off the drawings, we will clarify exactly what is needed before we do for Christmas 2021. We would like to do even earlier this year with drawings going home at the beginning of November ready for parents at the end of November.

A parent volunteered us for a recycling initiative which is now live and we are winning. Please can parents donate their points for Birch Hill so we win a percentage of £1000.

Smarties tubes which went out at the start of summer have been coming back in with lots of money. This seemed a popular thing to do. We will count up when all returned and post how much was raised.

Christmas present room is still in discussion and will be dependent on donations and covid regulations within the school.

Halloween pumpkin decorating competition/sale tbc.

Pantomime to be discussed to see if worth doing again. General feeling as it was a nice thing to do last year because of lockdown etc but people will be venturing out to go with families this year.

**Next meeting 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 @6.30pm via zoom.**

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